## **IN THE SPECIFICATION:**

<u>Please amend the paragraph beginning on Page 2, line 24 through Page 3, line 5 to</u> read as follows:

--Mounted to the housing head 12 is a handle lever 18. The handle lever 18 is displaceable about a lever spindle 20 between the inactive position shown in Figure 1 and an active position in which it pivots outwardly in the anti-clockwise direction about the lever spindle 20. The lever 18 is temporarily secured in the illustrated inactive position by means of a safety device 22. Provided between the housing head 12 and the lever 18 is a tensioning spring 24, which in the form of a cylindrical coil spring, is arranged around the lever spindle 20. The tensioning spring 24 bears with its one end portion 26 against the housing head 12 and with its second end portion [[28]] <u>27</u> against the lever 18. The tensioning spring 24 is mechanically stressed in the illustrated inactive position of the lever 18. When the safety device 22 is released from the mechano-electrical fuse 10 the tensioning spring 24 can be relieved.--

<u>Please insert the following on Page 10, (the List of References), right after line 11 as</u> follows:

--27 second end portion (of 24 at 18)--